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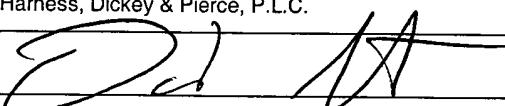
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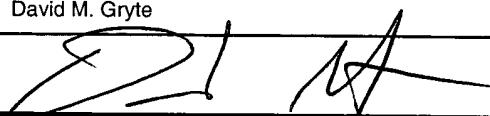
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1.		11/19/99 Office action from abandoned Appl. No. 09/186,410		Barta, et al.		11/5/98
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3.		Abandoned Publ. No. 20010039287 (including 6/1/00 Office action and 3/29/01 Office action from corresponding Appl. No. 09/256,948)	11/8/01	Barta, et al.	514/330	2/24/99
4.		Pending Appl. No. 09/311,837 (including pending independent claims, 6/14/00 Office action, and 5/3/01 Office action)		Barta, et al.		5/14/99
5.		Pending Appl. No. 09/570,731		Barta, et al.		5/12/00
6.		Allowed Publ. No. 20020177588 (including allowed independent claims, 11/18/02 Office action, and 5/9/03 notice of allowance from corresponding Appl. No. 09/954,451)	11/28/02	Barta, et al.		9/17/01
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10.		4,595,700	6/17/86	Donald, et al.	514/616	
11.		5,932,595	8/3/99	Bender, et al.	514/317	
12.		6,013,649	1/11/00	Freskos, et al.	514/237.8	
13.		6,300,514	10/09/2001	Takahashi, et al.	560/17	
14.		6,541,489 (including the 12/17/01 Office action, 5/16/02 notice of allowance, and 11/8/02 notice of allowance from corresponding US Appl. No. 09/554,082)	4/1/03	Barta, et al.	514/330	

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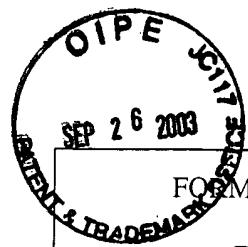


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22.		WO 93/20047	10/14/93	PCT	C07C 317/44	
23.		WO 94/02466	2/3/94	PCT	C07D 221/14	
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29.		WO 96/11209	4/18/96	PCT	C07K 5/06	
30.		WO 97/20824	6/12/97	PCT	C07D 241/04	
31.		WO 97/24117	7/10/97	PCT	A61K 31/19	
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